

# MassDEP Waste Ban Compliance and Enforcement Update

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# Compliance Strategy Overview

- About 40% of trash is waste ban materials
  - Does not include commercial organics
- Use third party data to conduct outreach and target inspections
- Increased MassDEP waste ban inspections
- RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts assistance



# Inspections - 2015

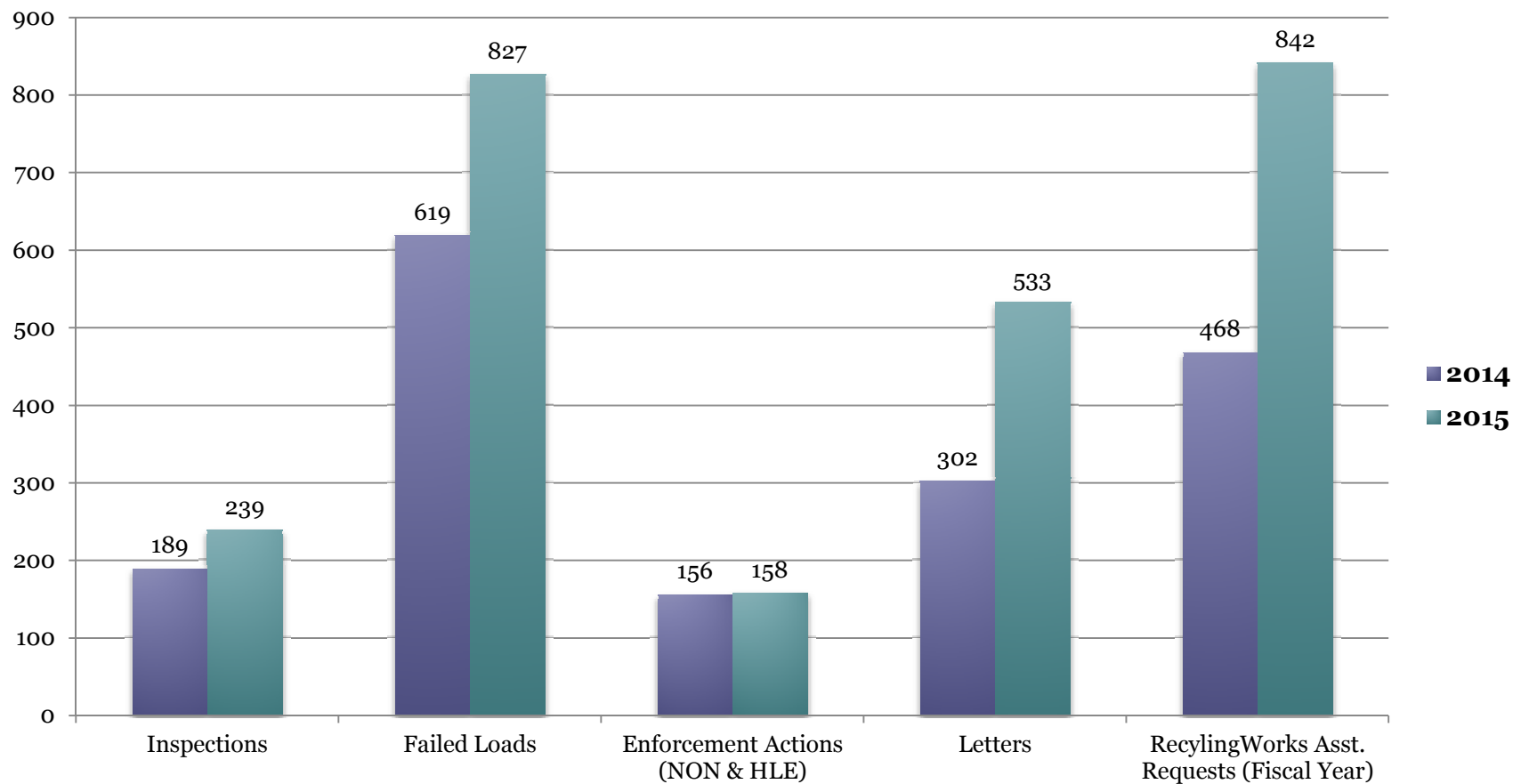
- > 230 waste ban inspections conducted
- Inspected about 5,300 loads
- Seeing average of 22.5 loads/inspection
- “Failed load” rate = about 16%
- 2015 Expectations: 200 inspections, 5,000 loads
- 2016 Expectations: 200+ inspections, 5,000 loads



# Enforcement - 2015

- Issued 158 enforcement actions
  - 146 Notices of Noncompliance (NONs)
  - 12 higher level enforcements – several in progress
- Also sent 500+ generator/hauler letters
  - Based on facility data, 3<sup>rd</sup> party data, complaint, or lower levels of banned materials observed
- Nearly 850 RecyclingWorks hotline/email requests (FY 2015)
  - Partially from MassDEP letters/enforcement

# 2014 vs. 2015 Comparison





## Banned Materials Observed

- Most enforcement for cardboard
- Have also issued enforcement for bottles, cans, CRTs, leave and yard waste, and wood
- Majority of NON recipients have recycling program in place

# Cardboard





# Paper





# Leaves and Yard Waste

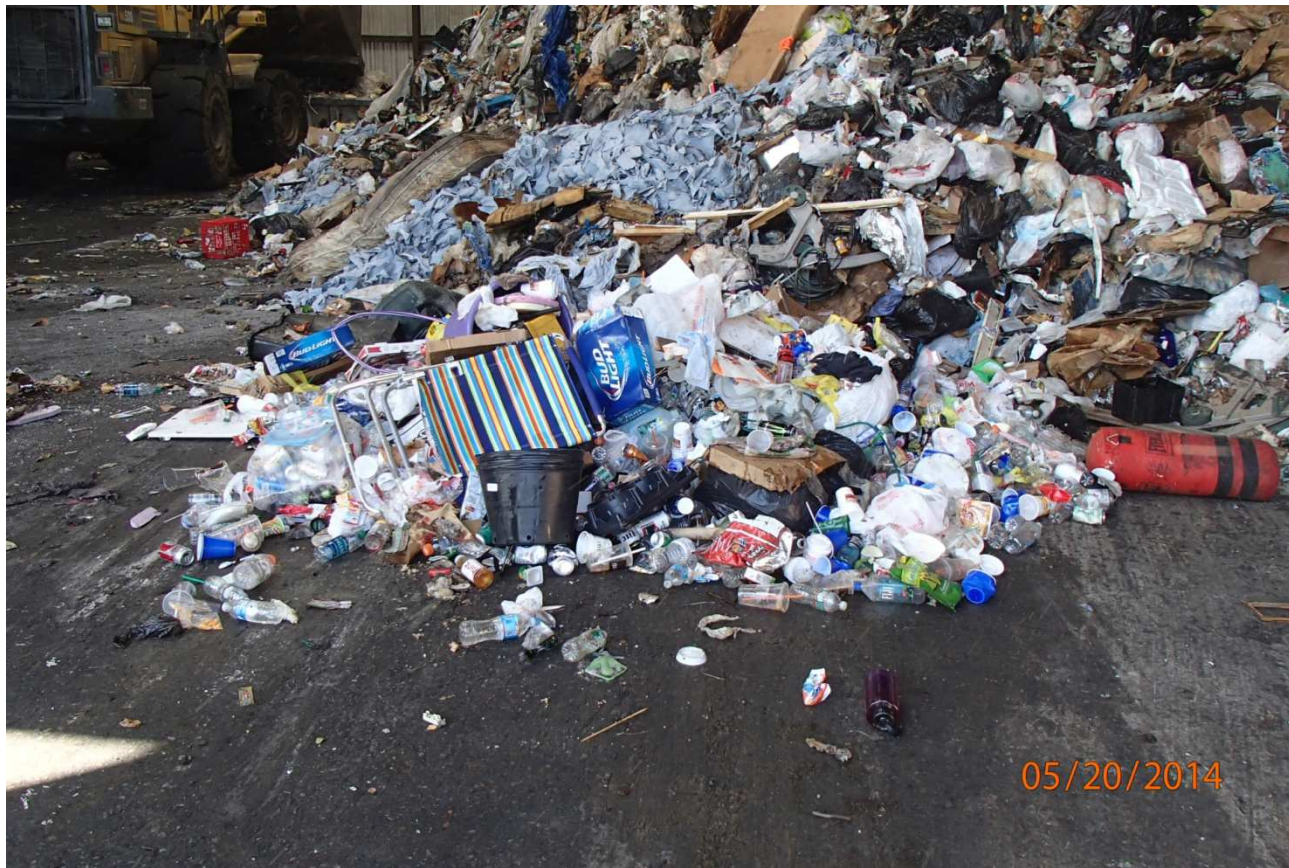


# Food Waste





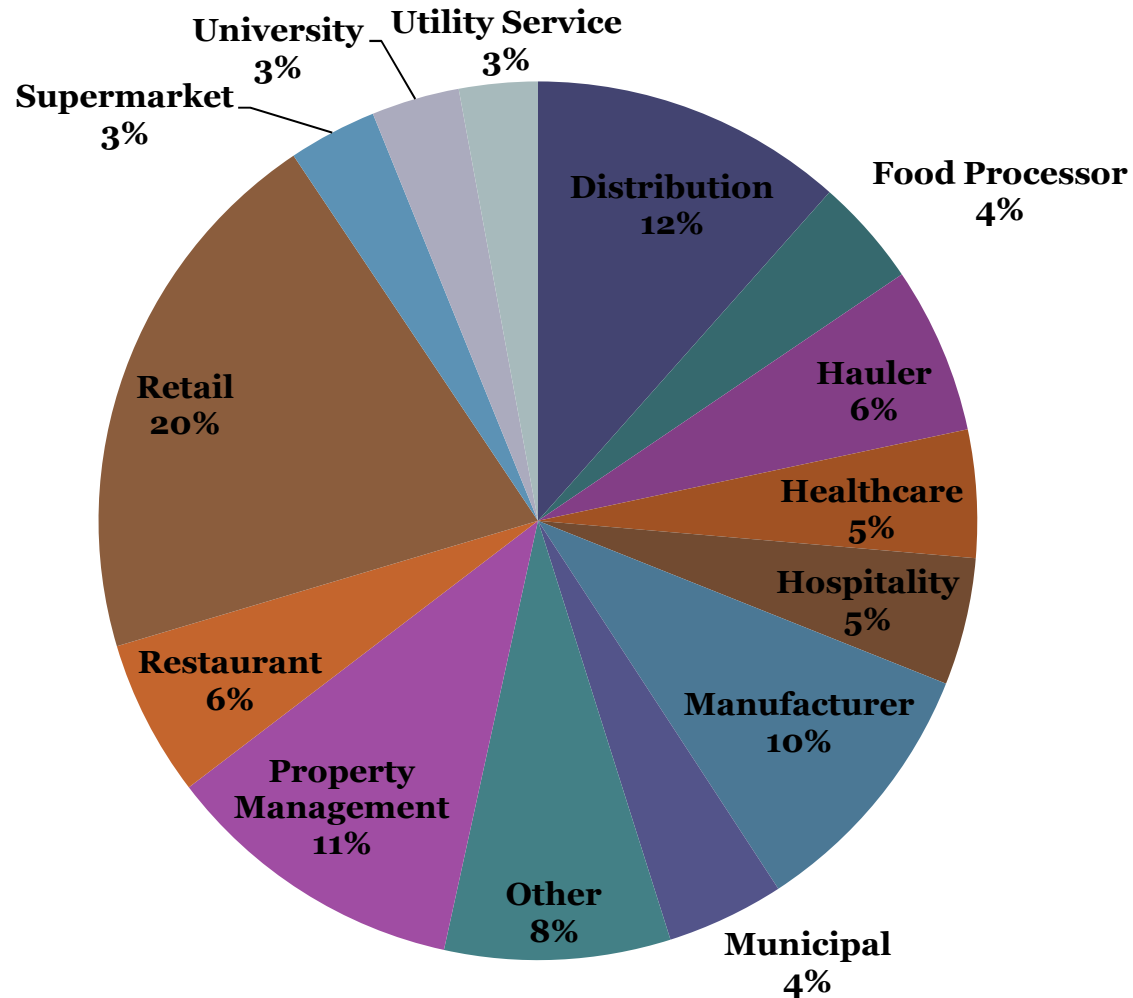
# Bottles & Cans



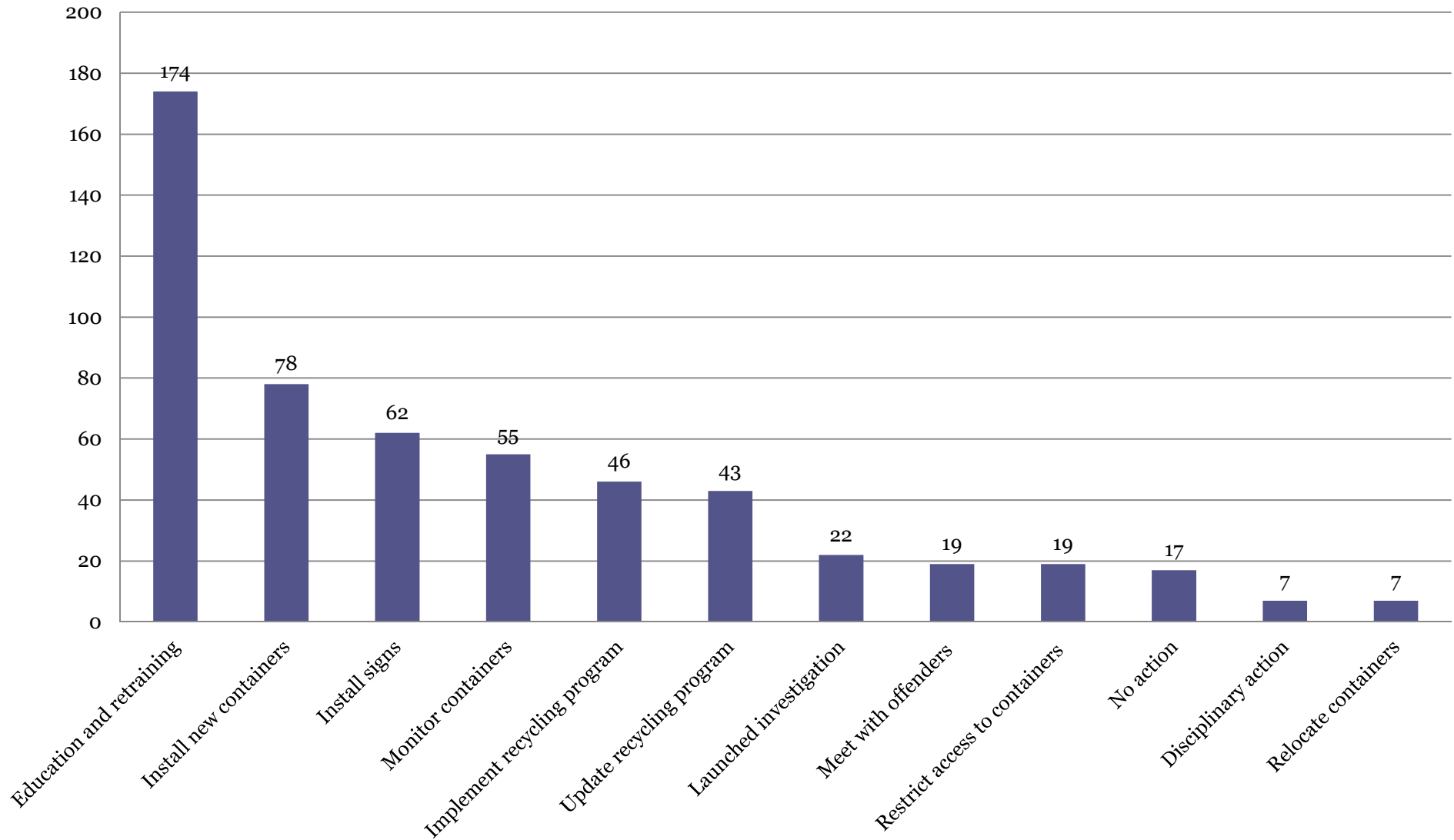
# Zero Tolerance Items



## Enforcement Recipients by Business Sector Oct 2013- Jan 2016



## Return to compliance response actions Oct 2013 – Jan 2016







## Next Steps

- Continue to conduct inspections
- Conduct outreach
- Commercial organics enforcement
- Waste ban waivers



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<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/recycle/solid/massachusetts-waste-disposal-bans.html>